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# Revised organization of the work of the Third Committee

## Note by the Secretariat

### Allocation of items

1. The agenda items allocated by the General Assembly to the Third Committee are listed in the letter from the President of the Assembly to the Chairperson of the Third Committee (A/C.3/59/1). Background information on those items may be found in the annotations to the agenda (A/59/100). The agenda of the fifty-ninth session, as adopted by the General Assembly at its 2nd plenary meeting, is contained in document A/59/251.

### Programme of work

2. The draft programme of work (see annex II) has been prepared bearing in mind paragraph (b) of rule 99 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the organizational arrangements agreed upon by the Assembly at the outset of its current session (A/59/250), relevant resolutions and decisions adopted by the Assembly on the rationalization of its work and that of the Third Committee and the availability of documentation, as well as past experience in the utilization of conference services. An overview of the draft programme of work is contained in annex I to the present note.

### Question time and interactive dialogues and debates

3. In accordance with the established practice of the Committee and pursuant to paragraphs 3 (c) and (d) of the annex to General Assembly resolution 58/316 of 1 July 2004, immediately following the introduction of reports by executive heads and senior members of the Secretariat at the beginning of each debate, interactive debates and question time will be held with heads of departments and offices, representatives of the Secretary-General and special rapporteurs as part of the formal proceedings. Delegations are invited to participate actively in these dialogues with questions and comments in an unscripted format. They are requested to withhold their prepared statements for the debates immediately following the dialogues under agenda items or clusters of agenda items.

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**Statements**

4. In accordance with the established practice of the Committee, statements made during the general discussion under each agenda will be limited to 7 minutes, and to 15 minutes for statements made on behalf of a group of delegations. Statements of Secretariat officials will be limited to 7 minutes, with the exception of oral reports.

5. Under agenda item 105, "Human rights questions", delegations may make one statement under sub-item (a) and one statement under sub-item (d), which are to be discussed sequentially. Delegations may make up to two statements under sub-items (b), (c) and (e), which are to be considered jointly; however, two statements cannot be made under the same sub-item.[1]

6. Under agenda items 103, "Elimination of racism and racial discrimination", and 104, "Right of peoples to self-determination", which are to be discussed jointly, delegations may make two separate statements, that is, one on each item, if they so wish.[1]

7. In accordance with the decision of the General Assembly, delegations should exercise their right of reply at the end of the day whenever two meetings have been scheduled for the consideration of the relevant agenda item on that day, or at the conclusion of the consideration of the item, if that is sooner. The first statement should be limited to 5 minutes and the second, if any, to 3 minutes.

**List of documents**

8. Attention is drawn to the documents submitted under each of the agenda items allocated to the Third Committee (see annex II). The status of documentation for each item is contained in A/C.3/59/L.1/Add.1.

**Conference facilities and meetings arrangements**

9. Unless otherwise specified, meetings will be held at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. In accordance with the recommendation of the General Committee, during the final two weeks of Ramadan, from 1 to 11 November, the hours of the meetings of the Committee will be from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. The General Assembly has reminded delegations that punctuality is of the utmost importance for ensuring an effective and orderly organization of work and achieving economies for the United Nations. As decided by the Assembly, the requirement that at least one quarter of the members of the Committee must be present to declare a meeting open and permit the debate to proceed has been waived.

**Report of the Economic and Social Council**

10. Pursuant to paragraph 4 (c) of the annex to General Assembly resolution 58/316, the item entitled "Report of the Economic and Social Council" shall be considered in its entirety in plenary.

**Conclusion of the work of the Committee**

11. Bearing in mind the number of meetings allocated to the Third Committee, a proposed target date of 24 November has been set for the conclusion of its work.

[1] See General Assembly decision 58/542.

# Annex I

## Overview of draft programme of work of the Third Committee

| | *Morning* | *Afternoon* |
|---|---|---|
| *Monday, 4 October* | *Item 93.* Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly | *Items 93, 94 (a) (b), 95* |
| | *Item 94.* Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: | |
| | *(a)* Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family; | |
| | *(b)* United Nations Literacy Decade: education for all | |
| | *Item 95.* Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing | |
| | *Closure of the list of speakers on above items at 1 p.m.* | |
| *Tuesday, 5 October* | *Items 93, 94 (a) (b), 95* | *Items 93, 94 (a) (b), 95* |
| *Wednesday, 6 October* | *Items 93, 94 (a) (b), 95* | *No meeting scheduled* |
| | *1 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on items 93, 94 (a) (b), 95* | |
| *Thursday, 7 October* | *No meeting scheduled* | *No meeting scheduled* |
| *Friday, 8 October* | *Item 96.* Crime prevention and criminal justice | *No meeting scheduled* |
| | *Item 97.* International drug control | |
| | *Closure of the list of speakers on above items at 1 p.m.* | |
| *Monday, 11 October* | *Items 96, 97* | *Items 96, 97* |

| | *Morning* | *Afternoon* |
|---|---|---|
| *Tuesday, 12 October* | *Items 96, 97* | *Item 98.* Advancement of women |
| | *1 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on items 96, 97* | *Item 99.* Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" |
| | | *Closure of the list of speakers on above items at 6 p.m.* |
| *Wednesday, 13 October* | *Items 98, 99* | *No meeting scheduled* |
| *Thursday, 14 October* | *Items 98, 99* | *Items 98, 99* |
| | | *Action on proposals* |
| *Friday, 15 October* | *Items 98, 99* | *Items 98, 99* |
| | | *6 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on items 98, 99* |
| *Monday, 18 October* | *Item 101.* Promotion and protection of the rights of children | *Item 101* |
| | *Closure of the list on above item at 1 p.m.* | |
| *Tuesday, 19 October* | *No meeting scheduled* | *Item 101* |
| *Wednesday, 20 October* | *No meeting scheduled* | *Item 101* |
| *Thursday, 21 October* | *Item 101* | *Item 102.* Programme of activities for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, 1995-2004 |
| | *1 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on item 101* | |
| | | *Action on proposals* |
| | | *Closure of the list on above item at 6 p.m.* |
| *Friday, 22 October* | *Item 102* | *Item 102* |
| | | *6 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on item 102* |

| | *Morning* | *Afternoon* |
|---|---|---|
| *Monday, 25 October* | *Item 105.* Human rights questions:<br>(a) Implementation of human rights instruments<br>*Closure of the list of speakers on sub-items (a) and (d) at 1 p.m.* | *105 (a) followed by*<br>*(d)* Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action<br>*6 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on sub-items 105 (a) and (d)* |
| *Tuesday, 26 October* | *Item 105 (b)* Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;<br>*(c)* Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives:<br>*(e)* Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights<br>*Closure of the list of speakers on above sub-items at 1 p.m.* | *Items (b) (c) (e)* |
| *Wednesday, 27 October* | *Items 105 (b) (c) (e)* | *Items 105 (b) (c) (e)* |
| *Thursday, 28 October* | *Items 105 (b) (c) (e)* | *Items 105 (b) (c) (e)*<br>*Action on proposals* |
| *Friday, 29 October* | *Items 105 (b) (c) (e)* | *No meeting scheduled* |
| *Monday, 1 November* | *Items 105 (b) (c) (e)* | *Items 105 (b) (c) (e)* |
| *Tuesday, 2 November* | *Items 105 (b) (c) (e)*<br>*1 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on sub-items 105 (b) (c) (e)* | *No meeting scheduled* |
| *Wednesday, 3 November* | *Item 103 (a)* Elimination of racism and racial discrimination<br>*(b)* Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action<br>*Item 104* Right of peoples to self-determination<br>*Closure of the list of speakers on above items at 1 p.m.* | *Items 103 (a) (b)*<br>*Items 104* |

| | *Morning* | *Afternoon* |
|---|---|---|
| *Thursday, 4 November* | *Items 103 (a) (b), 104* | *Items 103 (a) (b), 104*<br>*Action on proposals* |
| *Friday, 5 November* | *Items 103 (a) (b), 104* | *No meeting scheduled* |
| *Monday, 8 November* | *Items 103 (a) (b), 104* | *Items 103 (a) (b), 104* |
| *Tuesday, 9 November* | *Items 103 (a) (b), 104*<br>*1 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on items 103 (a) (b), 104* | *Item 100.* Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions<br>*Closure of the list of speakers on above item at 6 p.m.* |
| *Wednesday, 10 November* | *Item 100* | *Item 100* |
| *Thursday, 11 November* | *Item 100* | *Item 100*<br>*Action on proposals*<br>*6 p.m. deadline for submission of draft proposals on item 100* |
| *Friday, 12 November* | *Official holiday of the United Nations* | |
| *Monday, 15 November through Wednesday, 24 November* | *For programming purposes, all meetings from 15 to 24 November have been allocated for action on draft proposals. The Committee may, however, take action on proposals at any time upon conclusion of the general discussion under the relevant agenda items. As per past practice, action on proposals is taken on Thursday afternoon.* | |

# Annex II

## Draft programme of work of the Third Committee

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
|---|---|
| **Week of 4-8 October** | |
| *Monday, 4 October* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| Introductory statements, dialogue with senior Secretariat officials and general discussion of: | |
| *Item 93.* Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly | Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (A/59/120)<br><br>Letter dated 22 June 2004 from Qatar transmitting the ministerial declaration commemorating the fortieth anniversary of the Group of 77 (also under item 99) (A/59/115) |
| *Item 94.* Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: | Letter dated 5 April 2004 from El Salvador transmitting a note from the Minister for Foreign Affairs addressing the issue of migration (A/59/73) |
| (a) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family; | Report of the Secretary-General on the preparations for observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family in 2004 (A/59/176) |
| (b) United Nations Literacy Decade: education for all | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of UNESCO on the implementation of the International Plan of Action for the United Nations Literacy Decade (A/59/267)<br><br>*Under agenda item 115.* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Achieving the Universal Primary Education Goal of the Millennium Declaration" (A/59/76 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1) |
| *Item 95.* Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing | Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing (A/59/164) |
| 1 p.m. | |
| *Closure of the list of speakers on items 93, 94 and 95* | |

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
|---|---|
| *Tuesday, 5 October* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| *Items 93, 94 and 95.* General discussion (continued) | |
| *Wednesday, 6 October* | |
| 10 a.m. | |
| *Items 93, 94 and 95.* General discussion (continued) | |
| 1 p.m. | |
| *Deadline for submission of draft proposals on items 93, 94 and 95* | |
| *Thursday, 7 October* | |
| *No meeting* | |
| *Friday, 8 October* | |
| 10 a.m. | |
| Introductory statements, dialogue with senior Secretariat officials and general discussion of: *Item 96.* Crime prevention and criminal justice | Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation in the fight against transnational organized crime (A/59/204)<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the High-level Political Signing Conference on the United Nations Convention against Corruption (A/59/77*)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity (A/59/205)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (A/59/175)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on preparations for the Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (A/59/123-E/2004/90)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening international cooperation and technical assistance in promoting the implementation of the universal conventions and protocols related to terrorism (A/59/187) |

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
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| | Report of the Secretary-General on preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin (A/59/203) |
| | Letter dated 22 September 2004 from Costa Rica regarding the proposed establishment of a post of United Nations High Commissioner on Terrorism (A/59/383-S/2004/758) |
| *Item 97.* International drug control | Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation against the world drug problem (A/59/188) |
| | Letter dated 1 July 2004 from Uzbekistan transmitting the text of Tashkent Declaration of Heads of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization States, adopted at their summit on 17 June 2004 (A/59/124-S/2004/532) |

1 p.m.

*Closure of list of speakers on items 96 and 97*

**Week of 11-15 October**

*Monday, 11 October*

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

*Items 96 and 97.* General discussion (continued)

*Tuesday, 12 October*

10 a.m.

*Items 96 and 97.* General discussion (concluded)

1 p.m.

*Deadline for submission of draft proposals on items 96 and 97*

Introductory statements, dialogue with senior Secretariat officials and general discussion of:

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| *Item 98.* Advancement of women | Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, thirtieth session (A/59/38 (Part I)) (Suppl. No. 38) |
| | Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, thirty-first session (A/59/38 (Part II)) (Suppl. No. 38) |

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
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| | Report of the Secretary-General on violence against women (also under item 99) (A/59/281) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the improvement of the status of women in the United Nations system, including a comprehensive review of progress made towards the goal of 50/50 gender distribution (A/59/357) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the future operation of the United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/59/313) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on trafficking in women and girls (A/59/185) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (A/59/135) |
| *Item 99.* Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" | Report of the Secretary-General on violence against women (also under item 98) (A/59/281) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration (A/59/214) |
| | Letter dated 22 June 2004 from Qatar transmitting the ministerial declaration commemorating the fortieth anniversary of the Group of 77 (also under item 93) (A/59/115) |

6 p.m.

*Closure of list of speakers on items 98 and 99*

*Wednesday, 13 October*

10 a.m.

*Items 98 and 99.* General discussion (continued)

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
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| *Thursday, 14 October* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| *Items 98 and 99.* General discussion (continued) | |
| **Action on draft proposals** | |
| *Friday, 15 October* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| *Items 98 and 99.* General discussion (concluded) | |
| 6 p.m. | |
| *Deadline for submission of draft proposals on items 98 and 99* | |
| **Week of 18-22 October** | |
| *Monday, 18 October* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| Introductory statements, dialogue with senior Secretariat officials and general discussion of: | |
| *Item 101.* Promotion and protection of the rights of children | Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (A/59/41 and Corr.1) (Suppl. No. 41)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive assessment of the United Nations response to the issue of children affected by armed conflict (A/59/331)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children and on the progress achieved in realizing the commitments set out in the document entitled "A world fit for children" (also under item 40) (A/59/274)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the rights of the child, containing information on the status of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (A/59/190)<br><br>Report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for children and armed conflict on the situation of children affected by armed conflict<br><br>Letter dated 26 July 2004 from Colombia, Myanmar, Nepal, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, the Sudan and Uganda regarding the report of the Secretary-General on children in armed conflict (A/59/184-S/2004/602) |

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
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| 1 p.m. | |
| *Closure of the list of speakers on item 101* | |
| *Tuesday, 19 October* | |
| 3 p.m. | |
| *Item 101.* General discussion (continued) | |
| *Wednesday, 20 October* | |
| 3 p.m. | |
| *Item 101.* General discussion (continued) | |
| *Thursday, 21 October* | |
| 10 a.m. | |
| *Item 101.* General discussion (concluded) | |
| 1 p.m. | |
| *Deadline for submission of draft proposals on item 101* | |
| Introductory statements, dialogue with senior Secretariat officials and general discussion of: | |
| *Item 102.* Programme of activities for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, 1995-2004 | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the implementation of the programme of activities for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (A/59/277)<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people (A/59/258)<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the biennial report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the status of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations (A/59/257) |
| **Action on draft proposals** | |
| 6 p.m. | |
| *Closure of list of speakers on item 102* | |

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
|---|---|
| *Friday, 22 October* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| *Item 102.* General discussion (concluded) | |
| 3 p.m. | |
| *Deadline for submission of draft proposals on item 102* | |
| **Week of 25-29 October** | |
| *Monday, 25 October* | |
| 10 a.m. | |
| Introductory statements, dialogue with senior Secretariat officials and general discussion of: | |
| *Item 105.* Human rights questions | Letter dated 21 September 2004 from Cuba concerning the former president of Panama (A/59/371) |
| | Letter dated 10 August 2004 from the Russian Federation transmitting the text of a decision of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation (A/59/225) |
| *Item 105 (a).* Implementation of human rights instruments | Note by the Secretary-General regarding the operations of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture (A/59/353) |
| General discussion | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on a proposed plan of action for the first phase (2005-2007) of the work programme for human rights education |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the United Nations Voluntary Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery (A/59/309) |
| | Report of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (A/59/48) (Suppl. No. 48) |
| | Report of the Human Rights Committee (A/59/40) (Suppl. No. 40, vols. I and II) |
| | Report of the Committee against Torture (A/59/44) (Suppl. No. 44) |

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| | **Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the chairpersons of the human rights treaty bodies on the 16th meeting (A/59/254)** |
| | **Report of the Secretary-General on effective implementation of international instruments on human rights, including reporting obligations under international instruments on human rights (A/59/308)** |
| | **Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the question of torture (A/59/324)** |
| | **Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (A/59/306)** |
| | **Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (A/59/310)** |
| | **Letter dated 11 May 2004 from Uzbekistan regarding compliance with the United Nations Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (A/59/96)** |
| 1 p.m. | |
| *Closure of list of speakers for items 105 (a) and (d)* | |
| 3 p.m. | |
| *Item 105 (a).* General discussion (concluded) | |
| followed by | |
| *Item 105 (d). Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action* | (No documentation) |
| General discussion (concluded) | |
| 6 p.m. | |
| *Deadline for submission of draft proposals on sub-items 105 (a) and (d)* | |

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
|---|---|
| *Tuesday, 26 October* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| *Item 105 (b).* Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms | Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening United Nations action in the field of human rights through the promotion of international cooperation and the importance of non-selectivity, impartiality and objectivity (A/59/327)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on a subregional centre for human rights and democracy in Central Africa<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on globalization and its impact on the full enjoyment of all human rights (A/59/320)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of migrants (A/59/328)<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the human rights of migrants (A/59/377)<br><br>Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on a study to identify the means and measures for consideration by States for strengthening the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the right to development (A/59/255)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism<br><br>Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation worldwide in regard to extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions (A/59/319)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the question of enforced or involuntary disappearances (A/59/341)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the state of regional arrangements for the promotion and protection of human rights (A/59/323) |

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
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| | Report of the Secretary-General on the strengthening of the rule of law and the recommendation of the World Conference on Human Rights |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on human rights and unilateral coercive measures |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on human rights defenders |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the Khmer Rouge trials |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health |
| | Report of the Special Rapporteur on the elimination of all forms of religious intolerance (A/59/366) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities on its fourth session (A/59/360) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the right to food |
| *Item 105 (c).* Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the independent expert of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan (A/59/370) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General regarding the report on the joint mission by three special rapporteurs of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions |
| | Note by the Secretariat regarding the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (A/59/316) |

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
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| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Independent Expert of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Sudan |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human rights on the situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/59/311) |
| | Note by the Secretariat: situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/59/367) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on assistance to Sierra Leone in the field of human rights (A/59/340) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General regarding the report of the Independent Expert of the Commission on Human Rights on advisory services and technical assistance in Burundi (A/59/352) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/59/269) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General regarding the report of the Independent Expert of the Commission on Human Rights on technical cooperation and advisory services in the Democratic Republic of the Congo |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied by Israel since 1967 (A/59/256) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General on internally displaced persons (A/59/389) |
| *Item 105 (e).* Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights | Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/59/36) (Suppl. No. 36) |
| Dialogue with the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights | |
| Interactive dialogue | |
| General discussion | |
| 1 p.m. | |
| Closure of list of speakers on sub-items 105 (b), (c) and (e) | |

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*Wednesday, 27 October*

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

*Item 105 (b), (c) and (e).* General discussion (continued)

*Thursday, 28 October*

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

*Item 105 (b), (c) and (e).* General discussion (continued)

**Action on draft proposals**

*Friday, 29 October*

10 a.m.

*Item 105 (b), (c) and (e).* General discussion (continued)

**Week of 1-5 November**

*Monday, 1 November*

9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

*Item 105 (b), (c) and (e).* General discussion (continued)

*Tuesday, 2 November*

9:30 a.m.

*Item 105 (b), (c) and (e).* General discussion (concluded)

1 p.m.

*Deadline for submission of draft proposals on item 105 (b), (c) and (e)*

*Wednesday, 3 November*

9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Introductory statements, dialogue with senior Secretariat officials and general discussion of :

| *Programme* | *Documentation* |
|---|---|
| *Item 103 (a).* Elimination of racism and racial discrimination | Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance (A/59/375) |
| | Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (A/59/18) (Suppl. No. 18) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (A/59/275) |
| | Report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (A/59/276) |
| | Report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance on the study of the issue of political platforms that promote or incite racial discrimination (A/59/330) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (A/59/239) |
| *Item 103 (b).* Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action | Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance (A/59/375) |
| *Item 104.* Right of peoples to self-determination | Report of the Secretary-General on the universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination (A/59/376) |
| | Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination (A/59/191) |

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| | Letter dated 16 March 2004 from Azerbaijan addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Secretary-General transmitting a memorandum on the legal aspects of the conflict in and around the Nagorny Karabakh region of the Republic of Azerbaijan (A/59/66-S/2004/219) |

1 p.m.

*Closure of the list of speakers on items 103 (a) and (b) and 104*

*Thursday, 4 November*

9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

*Items 103 (a) and (b) and 104.* General discussion (continued)

**Action on draft proposals**

*Friday, 5 November*

9:30 a.m.

*Items 103 (a) and (b) and 104.* General discussion (continued)

**Week of 8-12 November**

*Monday, 8 November*

9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

*Items 103 (a) and (b) and 104.* General discussion (continued)

*Tuesday, 9 November*

9:30 a.m.

*Items 103 (a) and (b) and 104.* General discussion (concluded)

1 p.m.

*Deadline for submission of draft proposals on items 103 (a) and (b) and 104*

2:30 p.m.

Introductory statements, dialogue with senior Secretariat officials and general discussion of:

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| *Item 100.* Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions | Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/59/12) (Suppl. No. 12)<br><br>Report of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/59/12/Add.1) (Suppl. No. 12 A, Addendum)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the progress made concerning the promotion of a new international humanitarian order<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa (A/59/317) |

6 p.m.

*Closure of list of speakers on item 100*

*Wednesday, 10 November*

9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

*Item 100.* General discussion (continued)

*Thursday, 11 November*

9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

*Item 100.* General discussion (concluded)

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6 p.m.

*Deadline for submission of draft proposals on item 100*

*Friday, 12 November*

*No meetings*

**Week of 15-19 November**

*Monday, 15 November*

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

**Action on draft proposals**

*Tuesday, 16 November*

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

**Action on draft proposals**

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| *Wednesday, 17 November* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| **Action on draft proposals** | |
| *Thursday, 18 November* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| **Action on draft proposals** | |
| *Friday, 19 November* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| **Action on draft proposals** | |
| **Week of 22-26 November** | |
| *Monday, 22 November* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| **Action on draft proposals** | |
| *Tuesday, 23 November* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| **Action on draft proposals** | |
| *Wednesday, 24 November* | |
| 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. | |
| **Action on outstanding draft proposals** | |
| Provisional programme of work of the next session | |
| **Projected conclusion date of the work of the Third Committee** | |